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The marble and granite Grand Staircase connects the first and second floors. The two lighted statues at the foot of the Grand Staircase were originally gaslit. These statues were commissioned for the Illinois Capitol but subsequently given to the Iowa Capitol Commissioners for use in the Iowa Capitol.

The newel posts of the staircase are constructed of several types of marble. Each newel post also has an alabaster wreath decorated with various carvings.